

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Burkhard K. Neidecker-Lutz  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the final Office Action dated September 6, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**REMARKS** begin on page 6 of this paper.